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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 17th-March, through Sunday, 24th-Mar there were 234 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H3, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2014 ANTARCTICA AND SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR

David, K3LP, has announced on his Web page that he will be operating from the Antarctica;

Port Stanley, Falkland Islands; Chile, Argentina and Uruguay between February 2-16th, 2014. He informs OPDX that this is a family vacation and plans to operate a few hours at each location (listed below) along the way. He plans to take a vertical antenna and IC-7000 on the trip. The tentative schedule and callsigns are as follows: February 2-16th - Buenos Aires, Argentina; callsign LU/K3LP

February 6th - Ushualia, Argentina; callsign LU/K3LP

February 7th - Cape Horn, Chile; callsign CE/K3LP

February 8th - Schollart Channel, Antarctica; callsign ??/K3LP

February 8th - Paradise Bay, Antarctica; callsign ??/K3LP

February 8th - Gerlache Straight; callsign K3LP/MM

February 9th - Elephant Island, Antarctica; callsign ??/K3LP

February 11th - Port Stanley, Falkland Islands; callsign VP8/K3LP

February 13th - Puerto Madryn, Argentina; callsign LU/K3LP

February 15th - Montevideo, Uruguay; callsign CX/K3LP QSL via his home callsign.

3B7C BOOK

During the middle of April, Pete, SM5GMZ, will release another photo book (approx. 90 page) about the 2007 Saint Brandon DXpedition. Pete was one of the 20 operators who together managed to work 137,500 QSOs during an absolute sunspot minimum. The book consists of a large number of images, all in full color. In texts, Pete describes how it is to be on an uninhabited atoll in the middle of the southern Indian Ocean where nothing but amateur radio and satellite phones work. He also tries to explain the joy of endless multi-layer pile-ups and describes the enormous planning that comes with a DXpedition of this magnitude. For more info and details on how to order the book, see:

<http://www.3b7cbook.com>

7T50/7T9, ALGERIA (Just Reminder)

Members of the Algerian Radio Amateurs (ARA) will activate special event callsigns 7T9A (until March 30th, from Palais des Rais [Bastion 23] in Algier City; WCA 7X-00012) and 7T50ARA (until May 30th) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Algerian Amateur Radio Association. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL both callsigns by the Bureau or direct (NO IRCs) to: PO Box 1, Algiers RP 16000, Algeria.

A3, TONGA (Reminder)

Jacek, SP5EAQ, will be active as A3EAQ from **Tongatapu Island (OC-049)** between March 26th and April 16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. QSL via SP5EAQ, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, watch:

<http://sp5drh.com/a3eaq>

C6, BAHAMAS

Chuck, KG9N, will be active as KG9N/C6A from **Grand Bahama (NA-080)** between March 28th and April 4th. Activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via LoTW (preferred), direct or by the Bureau.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND

Operators Gary/VE1RGB and Murray/WA4DAN are pleased to announce a DXpedition to

Sable Island between October 1-11th, 2013. Approvals are in hand from Parks Canada and the Canadian Coast Guard. They have chartered with Maritime Air Charter LTD to provide the Britten Norman Islander aircraft for landing on the beach. The callsign CY0P has been issued for the October DXpedition. The CY0P(Parks) callsign was chosen in recognition of the newest National Park in Canada. VE1RGB is a veteran of two previous CY0 DXpeditions and is a top CW contester. WA4DAN has coordinated two previous CY0 DXpeditions, including the October 2012 DXpedition that was cut short due to Hurricane Sandy. An all bands 160-10 meters, CW/SSB/RTTY operation is planned. Look for more details to follow in the coming months.

DXCC NEWS

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:

9X0ZM Rwanda; 2013 operation

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS

Bruce, ZL1AAO, will once again be active as E51AAO from **Rarotonga Island (OC-013)** between May 3-17th. Activity will be holiday style, and he will be operational on SSB only, 40-10 meters, using 100 watts to a dipole or 1/4 wave GP antennas. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and direct only; sorry no Bureau cards. He will upload the log when he returns home.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS

Tony, ZL2AGY, will once again be active as E51AGY from **Rarotonga Island (OC-013)** starting May 7th for about 24 days. He states, "This will be a CW only operation running my K3 barefoot, and may include some form of activity in the WPX CW Contest during the last weekend of May..... I hope to be reasonably active, but the food, the weather, the sea, the people, are all very pleasant in Raro, so I might have other things to occupy my time as well!" QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred - see details on ([QRZ.com](http://www.qrz.com))).

EI, IRELAND

Olivier, ON4EI, will once again be active as EI8GQB and EI1A between March 23rd and April 3rd. He plans to operate from his caravan using green energy. Olivier will activate EI1A callsign during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. His objective is to run the 48 hour contest with green energy only and score among the "TOP 10" European stations. You can follow his activities and antenna experimentation on:

<http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB>

This is a very interesting QRZ.com page. There you will find a live information banner with on air frequencies and information. His equipment will consist of:

- 18m top loaded vertical monopole for 160-80m-40m bands + 32 radials.
- 3 elements East-West directional inverted V beam for 40m band.
- 200m long beverage RX antenna East-West directional.
- 2 Spiderbeam antennas for 20/15/10m bands.
- Rigs are Elecraft K3+P3 & Kenwood TS2000 100W.
- 500Ah battery bank + 180W solar panel and 400W wind generator.

Also, live video streaming will be provided on:

<http://www.ustream.tv/channel/ei8gqb>

QSL via PA3249, direct or by the Bureau.

FOC EVENT (And Award)

To commemorate their 75th anniversary in May, the FOC (First Class CW Operators' Club) is holding a month-long on-air event featuring more than 20 special "FOC" suffix calls. These will include GB75FOC, a special anniversary callsign for their club station. (GP4FOC will be used when operating from Guernsey, GS4FOC from Scotland and GT4FOC from Isle of Man). There will be many other FOC callsigns from the USA and VE and from more exotic locations such as VQ9, HZ1 and 5T. Stations will gain points for contacting any FOC member and a beautiful certificate will be presented to stations who reach certain point levels. Complete details are available on the FOC Web page at:

<http://www.g4foc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1537887>

FR, REUNION ISLAND

Cyril, FR4NT, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via FR4NT direct (NO IRCs).

GB0, ENGLAND (CASHOTA Monument Ops)

Look for John, M0JFE, of the Fleetwood Radio Enthusiast Group, (along with the help of others) to activate some CASHOTA monuments during the month of April. He has obtained the special callsign GB0FRG. His tentative schedule is as follows:

April 2nd - The Mount Pavilion & Tour of the Clock Workings; Reference numbers: LR SD333481, WAB SD34 and QRA IO83LW

April 9th - I.O.M Ferry Berth (Location where the Anchors of the Titanic were transferred from Train to Ship to be shipped to Belfast); Reference numbers: LR SD340483, WAB SD34 and QRA IO83LW

April 16th - War memorial in Memorial Park Fleetwood; Reference numbers: LR SD328474, WAB SD34 and QRA IO83LW

April 23rd - Activation Jubilee Towers Quernmore just outside of Lancaster; Reference numbers: LR SD542573, WAB SD55 and QRA IO84PA

Activity will be on 80-10 meters and 2m & 70cm; propagation dependant. Stations that work ALL 4 activations and E-mail in their log to gb0frg@hotmail.com will be E-mailed a special certificate from their club. The club's Web site is:

<http://www.fleetwoodradiogroup.moonfruit.com/#>

GJ, JERSEY (Update/Callsign Change)

Richrad, M5RIC, will be active as GJ2A (not MJ2Z) for the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single- Op/All Band/High Power entry. QSL via M5RIC. He will sign MJ5RIC for any activity outside the contest.

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (IOTA Op/Update to OPDX.1103/1104)

Operators Ralph, 5W0W/H44RK, Dom/SQ9KWW, Tom/WL7HP and Maggie/H44MK (the only local YL Ham from Sikiana) will be active as H44IOTA during their upcoming IOTA tour which will start during the first week of June. Preliminary dates have now been announced for each island, but may vary due to the nature of the tour. Here is their announced schedule:

June 1-4th - **New Georgia Island (OC-149)**

June 6-8th - **Russell Islands (OC-168)**

June 10-13th - **Florida Islands (OC-158)**

June 17-24th - **Stewart Island (OC-285) ****

July 1-7th - **Nendo Island (OC-100)**

July 9-12th - **Vanikolo/Utupua (OC-163)**

July 14-16th - **Reef Islands (OC-065)**

**** Of special interest to IOTA chasers** is **Stewart Island (OC-285)** having NEVER been activated.

Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. See [OPDX.1104](http://www.opdx.com/1104) for frequencies. All QSL requests are via QSL Manager Rex Turvin, NR6M. For updates, it is suggested to watch: <http://www.grz.com/db/H40RK>

The group now has a Web, Twitter and FaceBook page at:

<http://www.h44iota.com>

<https://twitter.com/h44iota>

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/H44-IOTA-DXpedition/136003426577924>

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN

A group of Dutch radio amateurs will be operating from Liechtenstein between April 13-20th, as HB0/homecall. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. During this week, a couple of SOTAs will be activated as well. Operators mentioned are Mans/PA2HGX, Hugo/PA2HW, Robert/PA2RDK, Frank/PA3CNO, Paul/PA3DFR, Henny/PA3HK, Gert/PE0MGB and Piet/PE1FLO. QSL via PE1FLO.

IOTA NEWS

AS-125. Tana, E27EK, will be active as E27EK/p from **Chang Island**, Thailand, between March 26-27th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign direct. Please NO eQSLs.

EU-028. Members of the Valle Brembana DX and Contest (VBDXC) Team will be active as IA5A from **Giglio** between April 29th and May 4th. Operators mentioned are Ezio/IK2AHB, Diego/IW2MZX, Alessandro/ IW5ELA, Andrea/IZ2AJE and Fabio/IZ2GMT. QSL via IK2AHB, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-125. Rico, DO6EBB, will once again be active as OZ/DO6EBB from **Fano Island** (DIA NS-002, WWFF OZFF-004) between June 22nd July 7th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-2 meters using SSB and some Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or eQSL.

EU-158. Markus, DJ4EL, will be active as SV8/DJ4EL from both **Proti** (March 25-26th) and

Sapientza Islands (March 28-29th). This is a rare IOTA. Activity will be on 15 meters only using battery power and a simple Quad antenna. Markus hopes to make 1000 or more contacts. QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-041. David, K0DCH, will be active as K0DCH/KL7 from **Mitkof Island** (USI AK155S, WLOTA 2115) between July 12-16th. Activity will be on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign direct only.

IOTA TOUR (Philippines)

Dindo, DV1UD, finally received permission (after trying for several months) to land on and activate three of the 'most wanted' Islands in the DU area. Dindo will visit **Bongao Island (OC-174)**, **Tawi-Tawi Island (OC-174)** and **Taganak Island (OC-225)**. This is to complete some survey and research as part of his work requirements. His tentative schedule is for the first week of April. Hopefully this will allow him to stay on each island for 2-3 days. He will grab this opportunity to activate these rare IOTA's between his work commitments. On Friday he announced that his equipment will be an Icom IC-7000, AH-4 Tuner and 100w into a Loop Antenna. Tentative departure from Manila is April 2nd, and he expects to be in Bongao, Tawi Tawi, by April 4th or 5th, via Zamboanga City. His callsign will be DX8DX, and activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. For more details, visit his Blog page at:

<http://www.m0oxo.com/dx8dx.html>

IU, ITALY (Attention Prefix Hunters)

The Ministry of the Economy of the Italian Republic announced that it used up the prefix IZ and will now use the new prefix is IU.

J3, GRENADA (Update to [OPDX.1104](#))

Operators Tom/OE2ATN and Franz/OE2SNL will be on a suitcase DXpedition to **Grenada Island (NA-024)**, WLOTA 0718) between October 28th and November 10th. The callsign has not been issued yet. Operations will be on CW, SSB and RTTY with 100-200 watts. Their Web page is now available at:

<http://j3.oe2atn.at>

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 25-31st)

Mar/25th	AN	Mar/28th	HN-AN	Mar/30th	AN
Mar/26th	AN	Mar/29th	AN	Mar/31st	AN
Mar/27th	AN				

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update/Operator Needed)

Bill, N6MW, will make one last try to activate American Samoa as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila between November 11-21st. The focus will be on "Maximum number of different stations contacted; CW, some SSB and RTTY if/when things slow down; EU when possible on higher bands; and Significant 160m effort." The location on the island will be well south of the Pago Pago harbor area to avoid as much mountain low angle cut off as possible. The DX-pedition's Web page states, "Total of 3 operators planned, 2 of the slots available." For more details and updates, visit:

<http://n6mw.jimdo.com>

LX, LUXEMBOURG

Matthias, DJ8OG, will be active as LX7I during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at:

<http://www.lx2a.com>

OX, GREENLAND

An international group of YLs will once again activate amateur radio from Kangerlussuaq between August 16-20th. Operators mentioned are Unni/LA6RHA, Mio/JR3MVF, Chae/HL1KDW, Kay/WA0WOF and Solveig/SM6KAT. The last YL expedition was in 2010 and was very successful. For more information, visit their Web site at:

<http://home.online.no/~la6rha/greenland2013.htm>

PA150, NETHERLANDS (Special Event)

Fred, PA0FAW, will be active as PA150BA between April 1-28th. Activity is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Bronbeek, a former Royal palace in Arnhem that is now a museum and a home for elderly soldiers and disabled KNIL (The Royal Netherlands East Indies Army) soldiers. The inhabitants took their collections of 'souvenirs' with them. This turned into a museum about the Dutch East Indies. Operations will be mainly CW, with some Digital and SSB. This operation will have a World Flora Fauna (WFF) reference number of WFF-PA-005. Fred is a member of the ISWL and Euro PSK club. QSL via PA0FAW, by the Bureau, eQSL and direct, but no LoTW. SWL reports are welcome direct, no need for return postage.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (Not Available This Week)

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

PY0SJ 1982 LOTW. Cesar, PY2YP, reports that he typed the log into LoTW and it is now working on the PY0ZSC operation which is three times larger. The Rocks web page www.py2yp.com/spsprocks shows several logs and cards. Stay tuned.

. The TX5K OQRS is now operational online at:

<https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=TX5K#>

UT1FG/MM QSL STATUS. John, K8YSE, reports, "Eugene, UX0FY, advises that he has not received logs for UT1FG/MM after November 2012. He hopes to have the December 2012 thru

March 2013 logs in a few weeks. Then he will be answering all QSL requests that he has received so far. He asks everyone to be patient."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4Z5MU, 8P5A, 9K2F, 9M4SLL, BU2AW, DH6BH, EA7TG, EI3GG, H40T, H44G, KH2L, KP2MM, MI0BPB, OS8A, PY0SJ, PY5ZD, RI1ANF, RU0FM, RX6BH, RZ6BS, SV5FRD, T2GM, T88TF, VK3HJ, VP9I, XR0YG, XT2AA, XT2TT, ZF2AM and ZF2UL

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2C, 7X2ARA, A62A, CT9/DG3FAW, CX5CBA, DU3/N0QM, ES4RD, FR4NT, J8/W6HGF, KH8/M1KTA, LU6W, TX9, V25A, XU1A, XV2RZ, Z81Z, ZB3R and ZL9HR

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L1MA, 5W1SA, 9M6Z, A5A, AC2AI/KH2, AH0BT, AH0S/KH2, BA7MG, C31KC, C50C, EO2112WZA, HF1918RO, ISO/DK7ZB, JD1BMH, KB7OBU/KH2, T8CW, T88CR, T88GO, T88ME, T88ZO, TT8PK, V55A, WH2DX, Z60K, ZD8W and ZL50GH

SILENT KEY (DXer's Have Lost Another Legend)

It is with great sorrow to report that DXers have lost a great friend and well-known DXer. Luis, XE1L, became a Silent Key, shortly after returning to San Diego from the recent TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition. Reports indicate that Luis was stricken with a major heart attack and passed away within minutes. An ARRL Life Member, Luis held Top of Honor Roll (Phone and Mixed), with all 340 current entities confirmed. He also held DXCC for Mixed, Phone, CW and RTTY, as well as 5-Band DXCC, and had a total of 354 entities, including deleted. World-Wide DXers will miss him greatly on the air. Here are just a few places, major DXpeditions and contests that Luis has operated:

Major DXpeditions:

3Y0PI, 9M0M, 9N7MD, S07L, TZ6RM, XF4L, XR0Y, XR0Z and XZ0A

Contests Callsigns:

4A7L, 4A9LCH, 6D1LCH, 6D7LCH, 6H1L, 6J1L, W4/XE1L (Various IOTA), W4T (Dry Tortugas), XF0L, XF5L, XF6L and YW5L.

Other Entities Callsigns:

4K/XE1L, 4U/XE1L/ITU, 4U/XE1L/NY, 4U/XE1L/YK, 4X/XE1L, 6Y5/XE1L, 8P9/XE1L, 9N7MD, C6A/XE1L, CE0/XE1L, CE3/XE1L, FM5/XE1L, FS5/XE1L, J6/XE1L, KH7/XE1L, KP4/XE1L, P4/XE1L, PJ2/XE1L, TG9/XE1L, TZ6L, VE7/XE1L, VP8CPJ, W/XE1L, W4/XE1L, XE0LCH, XE1LCH, XE1L, XE1L/XF2, XE1L/XF3, XF3/XE1L, XZ1L, YV5/XE1L and ZD8/XE1L.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of XE1L. A "Condolences Book" has been setup on the Radio Club Satélite's (XE1RCS) Web page at:

<http://www.xe1rcs.org.mx/xe1l>

To read more about Luis, XE1L, visit the ARRL Web page at:

<http://www.arrl.org/news/view/noted-contester-and-dxer-luis-chartarifsky-xe1l-sk>

SOUTHEAST ASIAN TOUR

The "425 DX News" reports that Alan, G0RCI, will be in Singapore (9V) and hopefully Malaysia (9M2) between April 1-12th. He plans to operate as 9V1/G0RCI and 9M2/G0RCI "as much as the XYL allows". QSL via his home callsign direct.

T2, TUVALU (Update)

Tim, NL8F, is now active as T2TT from Tuvalu until April 2nd. Activity will be mostly SSB. QSL via K8NA.

V6, MICRONESIA

Operators Takio/JH3QFL and Keizo/JH3AZC will be active as V6H and V6S, respectively, from the South Park Hotel in Pohnpei between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65. QSL via their home callsign.

VP9, BERMUDA

Kei, KG2A/JJ1RJR, will be active as KG2A/VP9 from **Bermuda (NA-005)** between March 29th and April 1st. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. His operations will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st). QSL via KG2A direct.

XP, GREENLAND

Henning, OU2I/OZ1BII, will once again be active as XP2I from Kangerlussuaq between May 23-27th. Activity will be CW only. He will also be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power entry. QSL via OZ1BII

(see www.oz1bii.dk/qs1-info.htm)

XW8, LAOS

Steve, 9M6DXX, will be operating holiday style as XW8XZ from near Vientiane, Laos, between March 30th and April 3rd. Activity will be SSB only, using 100 watts (the maximum power permitted by the licence) to a Butternut HF6V-X antenna with 12/17m kit. QSL via M0URX, by OQRS

(see www.m0urx.com/oqrs)

, direct, or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the operation.



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Nominations Sought for 2013 Amateur Radio Newsline™ "Young Ham Of The Year Award"

The nominating period for 2013 Amateur Radio Newsline™ "Young Ham of the Year Award" is now open. Originally known as the "Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year," this award program, now in its third decade, is presented annually to a United States or Canadian licensed Radio Amateur (Ham) who is 18 years of age or younger and who has provided outstanding service to the nation, his/her community or the betterment of the state of the art in communications through the Amateur Radio hobby/service. (Please see application form for details.)

ELIGIBILITY

The award is open to any licensed amateur radio operator residing in the 50 states that comprise the United States plus U.S. territories and 10 Canadian provinces. Nominees must hold a currently valid Amateur Radio License issued by the FCC (United States) or Industry Canada (Canada) and meet the 18 year or younger age qualification.

OBTAINING NOMINATING FORMS

Applications forms are available for a self addressed stamped envelope mailed to the 2013 Young Ham of the Year Award % Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue Santa Clarita California 91350. These nominating applications are also available for electronic download in .PDF format from our website at <http://www.arnewsline.org/YHOTY>.

NOMINATION CUTOFF DATE

All nominations must be submitted before midnight your local time on May 30, 2013 on an official nominating form and accompanied by verification materials for declarations noted within the nomination.

NOMINATION FILING

Paper nominations should be sent by regular mail only to The Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc., Att: YHOTY 2013, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus CA, 91350. (Note: Please do not send in any mail that requires a recipient signature as there is nobody here to provide this.)

Electronic nominations scanned as .JPG files should be e-mailed to [newsline\(at\)arnewsline\(dot\)org](mailto:newsline(at)arnewsline(dot)org).

PRESENTATION IN 2013

With continued corporate sponsorship, the 2013 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award presentation will take place in August at the 2013 Huntsville Hamfest. The Huntsville Hamfest is one of the nation's largest and most popular Amateur Radio conventions. It is held annually the third weekend in August at the Von Braun Civic Center in downtown

Huntsville Alabama and usually attracts upward of 5000+ attendees.

AWARD BACKGROUND

The Amateur Radio Newslines™ "Young Ham of the Year Award" program was conceived in 1985 by then Westlink Report "Editor-in Chief" Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF. His desire then and now is to highlight the accomplishments of the nation's many young radio hobbyists, and to encourage the entry of more young people into the exciting and rewarding hobby of Amateur Radio.

With the absorption in 1995 of the Westlink Report readership base into Worldradio Magazine, the awards originator has decided to continue it under the banner of his own "Amateur Radio Newslines™" organization. It is his belief that this real-life experience may lead the award winners and many other young hams into technology based careers that will make them the scientific leaders of the future.

ABOUT THE AWARD SPONSORS

The Amateur Radio Newslines, Inc., better known as "Newslines" is the world's largest not for profit (501(c)(3) and totally independent ham radio broadcast news and data information service. It was organized in 1976 by Jim Hendershot WA6VQP and Bill Pasternak WA6ITF. Since that time it has produced and put to air over 1850 consecutive weeks (35+ years) of free news bulletin programming dealing with Amateur Radio and related personal communications issues.

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As of 1995, CQ Communications Inc. has been an additional corporate underwriter. CQ Magazine and its sister publications CQ-VHF, Popular Communications and Worldradio OnLine are owned by CQ Communications and are considered the trend-setting magazines serving today's modern radio amateur radio community. See: www.cq-amateur-radio.com

In 2008 Heil Sound Ltd.; an innovative manufacturer of microphones and accessories for the amateur, professional sound and broadcast industries joined as the latest corporate underwriter. See: www.heilsound.com

PAST RECIPIANTS

1986 - Shawn Alan Wakefield, WK5P
1987 - David Rosenman, KA9PMK
1988 - Jonathan Binstock, NK3D
1989 - Erin McGinnis, KA0WTE
1990 - Mary F. Alestra, KB2IGG
1991 - Richard S. "Sammy" Garrett, AA0CR
1992 - Angela Fischer, KB0HXY
1993 - Kevin Boudreaux, N5XMH
1994 - Allison Daneen Zettwoch, KD4CKP
1995 - Adam Weyhaupt, N9MEZ
1996 - Toby Metz, KB7UIM

1997 - Brian Mileschosky, N5ZGT
1998 - Richard Paczkowski, Jr. KF4BIA
1999 - Michelle Swann, KE4EZI
2000 - Christopher Arthur, KT4XA
2001 - Patrick Clark, KC8BFD
2002 - Josh P Abramowicz, KB3GWY
2003 - Jay Thompson, W6JAY
2004 - Andrea L Hartlage, KG4IUM
2005 - Rebekah A Dorff, WG4Y
2007 - Grant H. Morine, W4GHM
2008 - Emily Stewart, KC0PTL
2009 - Andrew Koenig, KE5GDB
2010 - Cody Anderson, KI4FUV
2011 - Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P
2012 - Erin King, AK4JG

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